



SSAR Young Investigator meeting 2026

Date: March 17th – 18th, 2026.

Venue: Hotel Comwell Borupgaard, Denmark

Tuesday March 17th

13.30-14:00 Arrival. Coffee, snacks and cake.

14.00- 14.15 **Welcome, introductions**

14.15-15:00 **The basics:** “Sex and gender in ASCVD: epidemiology and mechanisms? (30 min talk + 15 min Q&A), prof. **Eva Gerds**, University of Bergen

15:15- 16:00 **Understand the methodology: Cells and models vs. genetic epidemiology.**
Two groups, chose what you know least of (30 min talk + 15 min Q&A):
Cells and mouse models: **Patrick Rensen** Professor, Leiden University Medical Center

Genetics and epidemiology: **Marianne Benn**, Professor, Copenhagen University Hospital Rigshospitalet

16:15-18:30 **Social event**

18:45-20:15 Dinner

20:30-21:30 **Meet and mingle – What kind of researcher are you?**
Moderators: The organizers

Wednesday March 18th

7:30 – 8:30 Breakfast

8:30- 11:00 **Journal club with the author/expert**, 80 min each, inclusive 10 min break
Basic paper. **Knut Tomas Dalen**, Professor, Institute of Basic Medical Sciences, University of Oslo
Clinical / epidemiological paper: **Anders Berg Wulff**, Senior researcher, Herlev og Gentofte Hospital

11:15-12:15 **Newest inputs from the clinicians,**
“Menopause and changes in metabolic health”. **Jeanine Roeters van Lennep**, Internist specialized in vascular medicine, Professor, Erasmus Medical Center, Rotterdam.

“Male sexhormones and receptors' role in cardiometabolic health”: **Anne Skakkebæk**, Researcher, Aarhus University Hospital (DK)

12:15-13:15 Lunch

13:15-14:45 **Meet the editor** (Atherosclerosis): **Katariina Öörni** , Adjunkt professor, University of Helsinki, Group leader, Atherosclerosis Research Laboratory of Wihuri Research Institute, and Co-Editor of Atherosclerosis

15:00- 15:30 **Know your invited speaker**
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15:45 Transport to Krogerup